

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	MADHYASTHA	Examiner:	R. MONDESI
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Title:	SYNERGISTIC MICROBIAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD FOR REDUCING BIOFILM FORMATION		

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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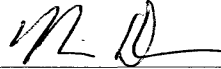
Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination.

Our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 is being charged the amount of \$395.00 to cover the required fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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